

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Camden Elementary School Kershaw County School District

Grades: K-5 **Enrollment: 620**

Principal: Ed Yount

Superintendent: Frank E. Morgan, Ed.D.

Board Chair: Mara H. Jones

PERFORMANCE

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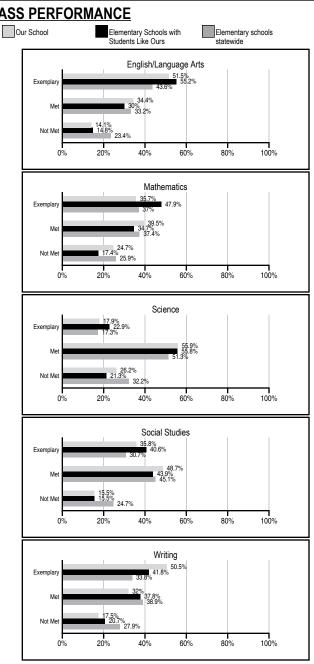
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Good	Excellent	TBD	TBD	Α	N/A
2011	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Good	Silver	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
49	17	4	1	0

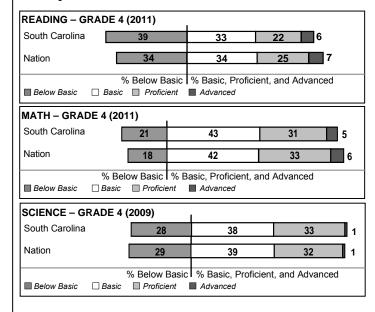
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Camden Elementary School [Kershaw County School **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=620)				
Retention rate	1.9%	Up from 0.6%	0.9%	1.0%
Attendance rate	97.0%	Up from 96.1%	97.0%	96.6%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=35)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	74.3%	Down from 75.0%	62.3%	63.0%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	93.2%	Up from 91.2%	90.1%	88.7%
Teacher attendance rate	93.6%	Down from 94.0%	95.2%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$50,523	Up 1.2%	\$47,770	\$47,210
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	2.4%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	7.7 days	Down from 9.4 days	10.2 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.5 to 1	Up from 20.8 to 1	20.9 to 1	20.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.3%	Up from 88.9%	91.5%	90.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 89.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,298	Down 6.3%	\$6,751	\$7,247
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.5%	Down from 73.7%	69.0%	68.2%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	72.6%	Down from 73.3%	67.4%	65.7%
ESEA composite index score * Length of contract = 185+ days	97.2	N/A	95.4	91.9

Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	34	100	94
Percent satisfied with learning environment	88.2%	89.0%	93.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	85.3%	81.0%	92.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.0%	91.0%	92.5%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

With the close of the 2011-12 school year, Camden Elementary completed its twelfth year with arts integration as an area of focus. Art based content teaching strategies, learning activities, and assessment options continue to thrive in our classrooms. Artists-in-residence were provided at all grade levels, and the twelfth Bloomin' Arts Festival was a success. Collaborative planning between classroom teachers and the arts specialists insures continued growth with two way integration of the arts.

Our PASS 2011 results were good and we received a Palmetto Silver Award for improving test scores. Camden Elementary was named a National Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School. The school received grants ranging from \$500 to \$5,000. The SIC received a \$1,500 Healthy Living Grant from Kroger and sponsored our first Health Fair.

Camden Elementary participated in the South Carolina Department of Education's Literacy Matters program and improved our reading and writing focus.

Camden Elementary's extraordinary staff continues to benefit from staff development opportunities. Teachers participated in literacy, math, science, and social studies. One teacher participated in the Spoleto Creative Teaching Institute. Our school teacher of the year was a district honor roll (top 5 in the county) teacher and our principal was named Kershaw County Principal of the Year.

Our outstanding parent organizations, Camden Elementary Partners (CEP) and School Improvement Council (SIC), once again supported initiatives and provided leadership for continued school improvement. CEP sponsored the sixth annual Camden Elementary Golf Tournament. This event raised over \$5,000 that was used to improve our library. CEP sponsored the Spring Carnival to connect with the community. The SIC received a \$1,500 Healthy Living Grant from Kroger and sponsored our first Health Fair. SIC continues to provide leadership and accountability to help CES meet its SACS plan of action. The members of these two organizations are integral to our success.

Camden Elementary is a special place for our children and families—a place where students are challenged to achieve excellence and taught to help others.

We believe in our slogan, "Our Future's So Bright We Gotta Wear Shades."

Ed Yount, Principal Dr. Tracy West, SIC President

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.